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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT(S):

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MICROPARTICLE ENHANCED LIGHT SCATTERING

AGGLUTINATION ASSAY AND MICROPARTICLE REAGENTS

**THEREFOR** 

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** 

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

## PETITION FOR TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

It is requested that the three-month shortened statutory period set for responding to the Office Action dated June 4, 2002 be extended for an additional two-month period to and including November 4, 2002

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(2) (large entity) and any additional fees to **Deposit Account No. 03-3839**.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: November 1, 2002

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